

Interior Appropriations—Conference Report: By 83 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. 266), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4578, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. **Pages S9879–S9917**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 89 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. 265), three-fifth of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the conference report.

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Arrowrock Dam Hydro Project: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1236, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for commencement of the construction of the Arrowrock Dam Hydroelectric Project in the State of Idaho, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10003**

White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic Rivers System: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to S. 1849, to designate segments and tributaries of White Clay Creek, Delaware and Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S10003**

Disaster Mitigation Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 707, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to authorize a program for predisaster mitigation, to streamline the administration of disaster relief, to control the Federal costs of disaster assistance, with a further amendment proposed thereto as follows:

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Mack (for Smith of N.H.) Amendment No. 4299, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10019**

Estuary Habitat and Chesapeake Bay Restoration Act: Senate disagreed to the amendment of the House to S. 835, to encourage the restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient project financing and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs, agreed to the House request for a conference, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Smith (of N.H.), Warner, Crapo, Baucus, and Boxer. **Pages S10019–27**

Ryan White Care Act Amendments: Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to S. 2311, to revise and extend the Ryan White CARE Act programs under title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act, to improve access to health care and the quality of health care under such programs, and to provide for the development of increased capacity to

provide health care and related support services to individuals and families with HIV disease, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S10029–35**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Report to accompany the International Plant Protection Convention (Treaty Doc. 106–23) (Exec. Rept. No. 106–27). **Pages S9941–44**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Anita Perez Ferguson, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2006.

John M. Reich, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term of six years. **Page S9931**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—266) **Pages S9878–79, S9900, S9917**

Recess: Senate convened at 9:31a.m., and recessed at 6:51 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, October 6, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9931.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert B. Pirie, Jr., of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of the Navy, Robert N. Shamansky, of Ohio, to be a Member of the National Security Education Board, Department of Defense, and 7,577 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

TOBACCO REDUCTION PROGRAMS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine effective tobacco reduction programs, focusing on how States are spending their revenues from the tobacco settlement entered into in November 1998, after receiving

testimony from David Satcher, Assistant Secretary for Health and Surgeon General, and Terry Pechacek, Assistant Director for Science, Smoking and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Maryland State Delegate John Hurson, Annapolis, on behalf of the National Conference of State Legislatures; Ohio Attorney General Betty D. Montgomery, Columbus; Francis L. Coolidge, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the American Cancer Society; and Matthew Myers, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, Washington, D.C.

NORTHWEST ELECTRICITY MARKETS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation concluded hearings to examine the challenges facing the electricity markets in the Northwest, including the effects of recent wholesale price increases, tight supply and demand conditions, and wholesale power market competition, after receiving testimony from James J. Hoecker, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and Stephen R. Oliver, Vice President, Bulk Marketing and Transmission Services, Power Business Line, Bonneville Power Administration, both of the Department of Energy; Tom Karier, Northwest Power Planning Council, and Rachel Shimshak, Renewable Northwest Project, both of Portland, Oregon; Kelly Norwood, Avista Utilities, Spokane, Washington; Jack Pigott, Calpine Corporation, Pleasanton, California; Marc J. Sullivan, Northwest Energy Coalition, Seattle, Washington; and Steve Stout, Micron Technology, Boise, Idaho.

U.S. TRADE POLICY

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on International Trade concluded hearings to examine issues relating

to the preservation and strengthening of the United States leadership role in foreign trade policy, including fast-track negotiating authority, Free Trade Area of Americas negotiations, multilateral trade negotiations in the World Trade Organization, and agricultural trade reform, after receiving testimony from Minnesota Governor Jesse Ventura, Minneapolis.

IRANIAN WEAPONS PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs and Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded joint hearings to examine Russia's role in Iran's weapons programs, focusing on Iran's continuing efforts to acquire weapons of mass destruction and missile delivery systems, foreign assistance to those programs, and the status of United States efforts to halt them, after receiving testimony from Robert J. Einhorn, Assistant Secretary of State for Nonproliferation; and John A. Lauder, Director of Central Intelligence Nonproliferation Center.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2448, to enhance the protections of the Internet and the critical infrastructure of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Also, committee began consideration of S. 1020, to amend chapter 1 of title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to motor vehicle franchise contracts, and a committee resolution for document subpoena pursuant to Rule 26 to the Department of Energy regarding Secretary Richardson, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.